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FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FROM SEOUL DATED MAY 2, 1978 SENT SECSTATE WASHDC INFO USCG HONOLULU HI IS REPEATED TO YOU: QUOTE

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USCG PASS USGAO FOR SHELEY

E.O. 11652: N/A

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1. EMBASSY IS HAPPY TO OFFER ANY ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE TO VISITING GAO OFFICIALS. ALTHOUGH TIMING OF VISIT PROPOSED IN REFTEL IS CONVENIENT TO EMBASSY, WE QUESTION WHETHER, IN LIGHT OF PRESIDENT'S RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT MODIFYING TROOP WITHDRAWAL SHEDULE, VISIT AT THIS TIME WOULD BE AS BENEFICIAL TO GAO AS ONE AT A LATER DATE WHEN WE WILL HAVE A BETTER PICTURE OF HOW LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE MOFIFIED WITHRAWAL WILL LOOK. MODIFICATION HAS NECESSITATED REVISION OF ESTIMATE HERE OF REQUIRED WITHDRAWAL ACTIONS AND HAS RAISED SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS CONCERNING WITHDRAWAL IMPLEMENTATION WHICH MAY NOT BE RESOLVED PRIOR TO PROPOSED ARRIVAL DATE.

2. SHOULD GAO GROUP PREFER TO ADHERE TO MAY 16-20

SCHEDULE, WE WILL OF COURSE PROVIDE SUPPORT AS REQUESTED REFTEL. RESERVATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE AT TOKYU HOTEL. CHOSUN AND PLAZA ARE BOOKED FOR MAY 16-19 PERIOD.

- 3. AS THE PROPOSED SUBJECT MATTER MORE DIRECTLY CONCERNS USFK, THEY RECOMMEND THAT THEY, RATHER THAN EMBASSY, HOST GAO TEAM. PLEASE ADVISE.
- 4. THUS FAR USFK HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY DIRECT NOTICE OF GAO TEAM'S VISIT. EMBASSY AGREES THAT USFK WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE HOST.
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